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MPS Doubles Down on Failure in Latest Attempt to Deny Kids a Quality Education

(Madison, WI) – The Milwaukee Public Schools (MPS) keep coming up with new ways to block poor children's access to a quality education. Their latest attempt is to put a failing school model into the empty Malcolm X property, costing taxpayers an estimated \$10 million. In response, State Representative Joe Sanfelippo (R-New Berlin) and State Senator Alberta Darling (R-River Hills) issued the following statement.

“MPS wants to waste \$10 million it doesn't have, to renovate a building it doesn't use, to replicate a school that is failing.

Malcolm X could be a beacon of success in a neighborhood that called for a quality school. MPS had the opportunity to sell the empty building. Instead, they are blocking poor children from a life-changing education. Their latest ploy is nothing more than doubling down on failure and it's the families in Milwaukee that pay the biggest price.

It's disappointing that MPS would hatch yet another expensive gimmick to protect their failed system rather than improving their own schools.”

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